



Please Note: New vendors and subcontractors must supply all of the required paperwork (Appendix I, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters). In addition, all Vendors must also be registered in the CCR within 48 hours after bid opening or your company may be considered non-responsive.

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Frozen Sweet Potatoes, Announcement FV-303, Invitation 007

Washington, DC
20250

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell frozen sweet potatoes as indicated below and per the Announcement for distribution to the child nutrition and other domestic food assistance programs. **Offers are due by 1 p.m., Central Time, Tuesday, November 23, 2004.** Acceptances will be announced by midnight, **Thursday, December 2, 2004.** Deliveries are to be made from January 16, 2005 to June 30, 2005.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Sweet Potatoes Frz, cut	6 / 5-lb bag	13,200 cases
Sweet Potatoes Frz, mashed	6 / 5-lb bag	3,960 cases

No offer will be made to 8(a) vendors on this invitation.

All prime vendors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred.

All invitations with orders for the state of New York must have the pack date stamped on the outside of each carton. The pack date should be annotated as per the following example: (05/01/2003). Orders for the state of New York requiring this special marking will be indicated by (). This applies to New York orders "Only," if and when they appear on an invitation.**

Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the Internet. Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES will be deemed non-responsive. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: <http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes> which translates into a connection of <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?> Once connected, follow the online procedures. A 'HELP' button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Inquiries about Announcement FV-303; Appendix-1; the Commodity Specification for frozen vegetables, dated April 2004; or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-0239, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity



Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

Purchases of the commodities listed below will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-314, to the listed locations. Destination quantities are estimates and are subject to adjustment based on offerings, changes in recipient need, market conditions, and program operations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

Split shipments are indicated by a single asterisk (*).

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV303
INVITATION : 007
COMM GROUP : 39 VEGETABLES, FROZEN
COMM TYPE : 70 SWEET POTATOES, RANDOM CUT, FRZ
PACK SIZE : 40 6/5 LB PKG

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
DELIVERY PERIOD 01/16/05 - 01/31/05					
001	MADISON HEIGHTS	VA	TRUCK ONLY	530	_____
	SPRINGFIELD	VA		685	
	SUFFOLK	VA	TRUCK ONLY	105	
002	SAN ANTONIO	TX	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 02/01/05 - 02/15/05					
003	ALTOONA	PA	TRUCK ONLY	2,640	_____
004	PHILADELPHIA	PA	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	_____
005	SUNBURY	PA	TRUCK ONLY	2,640	_____
006	PHILADELPHIA	PA	TRUCK ONLY	660	_____
	WILKES-BARRE	PA	TRUCK ONLY	660	
007	FORT WORTH	TX		1,320	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 03/16/05 - 03/31/05					
008	INDEPENDENCE	MO	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	_____
TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE				13,200	

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV303
 INVITATION : 007
 COMM GROUP : 39 VEGETABLES, FROZEN
 COMM TYPE : 71 SWEET POTATOES, MASHED, FROZEN
 PACK SIZE : 40 6/5 LB PKG


ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 01/16/05 - 01/31/05

009	JACKSON	MS	TRUCK ONLY	2,640	_____
010	CONWAY	SC	TRUCK ONLY	783	_____
	FORT MILL	SC	TRUCK ONLY	537	_____

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 3,960

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION 17,160



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